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General Background
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Adventures in Parenting: How Responding, Preventing, Monitoring, Mentoring and Modeling Can Help You Be a Successful Parent. National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and National Institutes of Health. January 2002. 68 p.

FULLTEXT: www.nichd.nih.gov/publications/pubs/parenting/adv_in_parenting_final.pdf

["The information in this guidebook is based on decades of research on parenting called RPM3 -- a no-frills approach to parenting from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). RPM3 (responding, preventing, monitoring, and modeling) incorporates 30 years of NICHD research to tell you what really works."]

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Building Services and Systems to Support the Healthy Emotional Development of Young Children: An Action Guide for Policymakers. By Jane Knitzer, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University (The Center, New York, NY) 2001. 30 p.

FULL TEXT: cpmcnet.columbia.edu/dept/nccp/ProEmoPP1.pdf

["To date there has been very little systematic attention paid to the generation of policies and practices promoting healthy emotional development of children. This guide is for policymakers and community leaders who want to craft such policies and improve practices. It paints a portrait of the kinds of young children and families who are in need of preventive, early intervention and highlights why policymakers should invest in such services."]

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"Child Care Funding and Policy Issues." By Jan Kaplan. IN: TANF Reauthorization Notes, vol. 2, no. 1 (January 2002) 14 p.

FULL TEXT: www.welfareinfo.org/childcarefundingpolicyissues_trn.htm

["Congress will need to address child care funding and policy issues when it considers the reauthorization of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and the Child Care and Development Fund. Potential increases in welfare caseloads resulting from an economic downturn will reinforce the critical role that child care plays in employment training and job-readiness programs for welfare recipients."]

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"The Colorado Newborn Hearing Screening Project, 1992-1999: On the Threshold of Effective Population-Based Universal Newborn Hearing Screening." By Albert L. Mehl and Vickie Thomson. IN: Pediatrics, vol. 109, no. 1 (January 2002) 8 p.

FULL TEXT: <http://www.pediatrics.org/cgi/content/full/109/1/e7>

["This article reports the results of a statewide screening program, from earlier years of voluntary hospital enrollment through later years of legislative directives. The study represents the first publication of broad population-based hospital screening efforts and measures the relative success of legislation in achieving universal newborn hearing screening."]

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"Culturally Appropriate Early Childhood Education." By Bina Patel. National Conference of State Legislatures. IN: Legisbrief. vol. 10, no. 9 (February 2002) 2 p.

["Minority children comprised 98 percent of the child population growth between 1990 and 2000, according to a Kids Count report. Almost 70 percent of children enrolled in Head Start were from a non-white background. Almost 21 percent of Head Start children did not speak English as their first language. As policymakers, researchers, and educators realize the importance of a child's early years, multicultural care is becoming more pressing at the preschool level."]

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Family and Individual Predictors of Child Care Use by Low Income Families in Different Policy Contexts. By Aletha C. Huston, Young Eun Chang, Lisa Gennetian. The Next Generation Working Paper Series No. 9 (The Next Generation, New York, NY) Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation. January 2002. 33 p.

FULL TEXT:

www.mdrc.org/NextGeneration/Working_paper_series/NG_WkgPpr_9/NG_9_FamilyPredictors.pdf

["This study finds that the factors that matter most in regard to child care choice are family structure, parent's education, work history and personal beliefs. Race and ethnicity factors are inconclusive. Reducing cost of care and increasing the possibility of parent's employment does not necessarily remove all barriers to successful employment."]

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Identifying Effects of Income on Children's Development: Integrating an Instrumental Variables Analytic Method with an Experimental Design. By Pamela A. Morris and Lisa A. Gennetian. The Next Generation Working Paper No. 8 (The Next Generation, New York, NY) Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation. January 2002. 26 p.

FULL TEXT:

www.mdrc.org/NextGeneration/Working_paper_series/NG_WkgPpr_8/NG_8_IdentifyingEffects.pdf

["These findings confirm that the documented relation between children's poverty and well being is likely due (at least in part) to income rather than other household characteristics. They further suggest that increasing income could be an effective strategy for achieving the goal of improving some aspects of children's development."]

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"Lack of Appropriate Research Leads to Gaps in Knowledge About Children in Immigrant Families." Based on Research by Donald J. Hernandez. Research Forum on Children, Families, and the New Federalism (The Forum, New York, New York) IN: The Forum, vol.5, no.1, (February 2002) 6 p.

FULL TEXT: www.researchforum.org/newsletter/forum51.pdf

["According to this study, the future of the economy and the polity depends on improved scientific understanding and on public and private policies and programs that assure healthy development, high educational attainments, and labor force success for immigrant children."]

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Preschool For All: Investing in a Productive and Just Society. By the Research and Policy Committee, Committee for Economic Development (The Committee, New York, NY) February 2002. 64 p.

FULL TEXT: http://www.ced.org/docs/report/report_preschool.pdf

[“This CED report recommends that preschool be made available through a variety of providers for all children whose parents want them to participate. To achieve this goal, CED is calling on the business community to help build public understanding about the economic and social need for early childhood education in the United States.”]

[CDPAC 329]

The Right Start for America’s Newborns: A Decade of City and State Trends (1990-1999). By Richard Wertheimer and others. Child Trends/Kids Count. Annie E. Casey Foundation (The Foundation, Baltimore, Maryland) February 2002. Various pagings.

FULL TEXT: www.aecf.org/kidscount/rightstart2002/

[“This online report indicates that although prospects for a more promising life improved for newborns in the last decade, a high percentage of babies enter the world prematurely, at low birth weights and to mothers who are unmarried. Text and data are provided for the 50 largest cities and the states in the form of profiles, line graphs, maps, rankings and raw data.”]

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Understanding Research: Top Ten Tips for Advocates and Policymakers. By Stephanie A. Schaefer. National Association of Child Advocates (The Association, Washington DC) January 2002. 4 p.

FULL TEXT: www.childadvocacy.org/publicat.html

[“Research is an important tool because it allows us to assess the effectiveness of the wide array of policies and programs affecting the lives of children and families. Having research evidence to recommend or refute specific policy choices is especially relevant in this era of increased demand for accountability in human services and government. Included are several tips that can help evaluate research.”]

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In our continuing quest to highlight relevant materials in a variety of formats, we would like to showcase the following items. Some of these materials are copyrighted and may not be photocopied in their entirety. However, they may be borrowed from your local library, purchased online or at a bookstore, or, in some cases, may be viewed and/or downloaded full-text from the Internet

The California Child Care Portfolio 2001: A Compilation of Data About Child Care in California, County by County. Produced by the California Child Care Resource and Referral Network (The Network, San Francisco, California) February 2002. Various pagings.

FULL TEXT: www.rrnetwork.org/calchildcare/article.php?ID=624

[“This comprehensive California statewide report highlights the child care supply, demand, and cost issues in the context of current policy and demographic and labor force trends. The data is presented by county and does not include non-licensed providers such as family members.”]

Caring for Our Children: National Health and Safety Performance Standards: Guidelines for Out-of-Home Child Care. Second Edition. A Joint Collaborative Project of American Academy of Pediatrics, American Public Health Association and National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care. 2002. 538 p.

FULLTEXT: <http://nrc.uchsc.edu/CFOC/PDFVersion/National%20Health%20and%20Safety%20Performance%20Standards.pdf>

[“In this publication, these organizations establish guidelines for such health standards as sleep positioning, chronic illnesses, standard precautions, outdoor temperatures, selecting a sanitizer, care for asthma and much more, including 981 items, 659 standards, and 48 recommendations.”]

Children and Welfare Reform. David and Lucile Packard Foundation. IN: The Future of Children, vol.12, no.1 (Winter/Spring 2002) Entire issue. 213 p.

FULL TEXT: www.futureofchildren.org/usr_doc/tfoc12-1_journal.pdf

[“The entire issue is devoted to children and welfare reform. The articles include the following: “Children and Welfare Reform: Analysis and Recommendations;” “The 1996 Welfare Law: Key Elements and Reauthorization Issues Affecting Children;” “Reforms and Child Development;” “Experimental Studies of Welfare Reform and Children;” “Welfare Reform and Child Care Options for Low Income Families;” “Family Economic Resources in the Post Reform Era;”]

Kinship Care: An Evolving Service Delivery Option. IN: Children and Youth Services Review, vol. 24, nos. 1/2 (January/February 2002) Entire issue.

[“The entire issue is devoted to kinship care and includes the following articles: “Kin and Non-Kin Foster Care -- Findings from a National Survey;” “The Evolution of Federal and State Policies for Assessing and Supporting Kinship Caregivers;” “African American Extended Families and Kinship Care: How relevant is the foster care model for kinship care?”]

“Quality Counts 2002: Building Blocks for Success.” IN: Education Week on the Web. January 10, 2002. Various pagings.

FULL TEXT: www.edweek.org/sreports/qc02/templates/article.cfm?slug=17toc.h21

[“[This report examines what states are doing to provide early-learning experiences for young children, to ensure that those experiences are of high quality, to prepare and pay early-childhood educators adequately; and to measure the results of early childhood programs. The report also examines states' commitment to kindergarten, the transition point into the formal public education system.”]